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TWIN NAND DEVICE STRUCTURE, ARRAY
OPERATION AND ITS FABRICATION
METHOD

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Information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application. The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is provided therein. A copy of that communication is attached.

Y. Hayashi et al., "Non-volatile Semiconductor Memory and Its Programming Method," JP 11-22940, 12/05/1997, discusses how the ONO layer sandwich stores electron or whole charges in the nitride or interface trap sites.

I. Fujiwara, "Non-volatile Semiconductor Memory and its Read Method," JP 2000-31435, 7/8/1998.

F. Masuoka and R. Shirota et al., "A New NAND Cell for Ultra High Density 5V-Only EEPROMS," May 1988, Proc. 1988 Symp. on VLSI Tech., IV-5, pp. 33-34, describes a floating gate NAND cell that has been used widely as Non-volatile memory.

U.S. Patent 4,943,943 to Hayashi et al., "Read-Out Circuit for Semiconductor Nonvolatile Memory," describes a read-out circuit for a semiconductor nonvolatile memory which is capable of extracting a widely fluctuating output voltage using a reverse read.

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U.S. Patent 5,768,192 to Eitan, "Non-Volatile Semi-Conductor Memory Cell Utilizing Asymmetrical Charge Trapping," discloses a non-volatile semiconductor memory cell utilizing asymmetrical charge trapping.

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Portmox Pages, Etc.)

F. Masuoka et al., "A New NAND Cell for Ultra High Density 5V-Only EEPROMs," May 1988, Proc. 1988 Symp. on VLSI Tech, IV-5, pp. 33-34

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